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Save money on water

Did you know the average family uses 360 litres of water a day? And of that, 220 litres are hot water. Here some easy ways to save that are free or low-cost:

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That leaky tap, the one that you can hear while trying to get to sleep at night, is wasting 800 litres of water per month at one drop per second. Fixing the tap is as easy as replacing a rubber washer that costs less than a coffee and you don't need fancy tools - a simple wrench and screw driver will have this task done quickly!

Use faucet aerators

With a twist of your wrist you can reduce water consumption by 25 to 50 per cent per tap by installing a faucet aerator. Your local retailer has a selection of models including ones with washers that don't need to be replaced.

Go low-flow

Did you know that the relaxing hot bath uses about 75 litres of hot water – not so relaxing anymore! A five-minute shower with a low-flow shower head uses less than half of that and can save over 28,000 litres of water a year. Easy to install and available in many models – including ones that can replicate your favourite spa shower.

Protect your clothes and save energy

Did you know that about 25 per cent of hot water is used for clothes washing? Try using cold water to wash and rinse your laundry. Not only will this save enough energy for 220 showers a year but it also protects your clothes from fading and shrinking. Another easy way to save while doing laundry is to set the right water level to match the size of your load.

Crystal clear savings from your dishwasher

Start by always running a full load. Use the light or short cycle for easy-to-clean loads and the energy-saving drying cycle for additional efficiency. If you don't have that feature, open the dishwasher when the wash cycle is complete and let the dishes air dry – this can reduce your energy use by 10 per cent.

Insulate hot water pipes

Insulate at least the first metre of pipe leading to and from the hot water tank with snap-on foam pipe tubing. If the hot water pipes run through sections of your home that are not heated, insulate those sections as well. If your pipes are plastic, they shouldn't be wrapped because the extra heat might soften them.

Remember Time-of-Use

By using your dishwasher and washing machine after 7 p.m. during weekdays or any time during the weekend you take advantage of off-peak energy prices.

Interested in additional ways to save energy? Visit www.HydroOne.com/

Pan Am torch relay coming to Minden June 4

The Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay, presented by President's Choice and OLG, is coming to Minden on June 4.

Residents can now learn about the torch relay celebration taking place in Minden Hills and mark that special date in their calendar. We're inviting the community to celebrate the Pan Am flame when it visits downtown Minden here in Minden Hills.

"Minden Hills is excited to host the Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay. We look forward to sharing the Pan Am spirit and showcasing our great community," said Reeve Brent Devolin. "Welcoming the Pan Am flame to Minden Hills is a special opportunity to show our community pride!"

A detailed map is now available online highlighting Minden, with the date and location for the community celebration.

The torch relay begins its 41-day journey when the Pan Am flame is lit during a traditional Aztec lighting ceremony at the Pyramid of the Sun in Teotihuacan, Mexico before landing in Canada on May 30. From Toronto, the flame heads to Thunder Bay on May 31 where it will visit the Terry Fox Monument before arriving in Nipigon, the most northern town on the Ontario leg of the journey. The smallest towns through which the torch will pass are Bruce Mines, population 566 and White River, population 607.

"The Games are all about bringing people together, and the Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay will unite Ontarians, Canadians and communities. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for people to experience the emotion, excitement and significance of the Pan Am flame," said Saäd Rafi, chief executive officer of the Toronto 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Am Games Organizing Committee (TO2015).

Three-thousand torchbearers will carry the flame through communities across Ontario as well as Richmond, Calgary, Winnipeg, Montreal and Halifax. The torch will see more than 60 modes of transportation while touring through Canada exceeding 5,000 kms on the road and 15,000 kms by air. The torch relay will finish in Toronto on July 10 to light the cauldron at the opening ceremony, which signifies the start of the Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games.

As it makes its way to the opening ceremony of the Pan Am Games, the torch will visit six Canadian Forces bases, a national and provincial park as well as five First Nations communities including the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nations, the official host First Nations of the Games. The Pan Am torch will also visit five national historic sites including Fort Henry in Kingston and the Halifax Citadel.

On July 1, the torch will take part in Canada Day festivities on Parliament Hill in our nation's capital, Ottawa - a chance to celebrate and share the Pan Am spirit during Canada's biggest birthday party.

TO2015 is proud to bring the relay to Canadian communities with the help of presenting partners President's Choice and OLG, community partner CIBC and signature supporters Ontario Trillium Foundation, Porter Airlines and Star Media Group (or Metroland Media) to ensure it is a memorable experience for everyone involved.

Specific timing for Minden Hills celebration will be confirmed beginning in May. Street-level route will also be confirmed in May.

In addition, a separate Toronto 2015 Parapan Am Torch Relay will take place prior to the start of the Games on Aug. 7. Details on the route and torchbearer application process will be released in April.

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Worldly Travellers
Rotary students from around the world came up to Haliburton for a day of skating on Head Lake in Haliburton recently. From left, Tyler – New Zealand; Janette – Finland; Lalita – Thailand; Johanna – Germany; Faustine – France; and Eric – Brazil. /SUBMITTED BY MICHELLE MCTEAGUE

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Too much fun

Greg Cholkan

The Law Talkin' Guy

The chorus of a Daryle Singletary song starts: "Too much fun, what's that mean? It's like too much money, there's no such thing." Some people live by these words. But it's not always smart to take the governor off your fun engine. Take drinking alcohol, for example: there's a fine line between having a good night and having a terrible one. Most people have crossed that border at least once. But some jump over it as far as is humanly possible. There is perhaps no finer example of this phenomenon than the case of 7124 v Registrar of Alcohol and Gaming.

One evening, a group of 15 people entered a bar in Ottawa. Of the 15, only 10 consumed alcoholic beverages. In one hour, these rabble-rousers drank 49 1-oz. shots, one 16oz. beer, two 20oz. beers, and two 60oz. pitchers of beer. More than enough for an entire night, right? Apparently not for this "rowdy and loud" group: they also threw back another 10 shots at the bar. Counting only the liquor, that's roughly six shots per person in one hour!

But there's more, of course. As it turns out, two of the terrible 10 shared a 60oz. pitcher at a comedy club before going to the bar. Inevitably, and to varying degrees, they "slurred their speech." They talked "with their hands" and were "unstable when getting up to go to the washroom." They had a "hard time standing" and some of them "became ill." They ordered shots "aggressively." They were, to put it bluntly, "very drunk."

And, depending on who you ask, they ordered more shots and some mixed drinks before getting kicked out. Surely, at this point, their worlds shrank, collapsed into fragmented blurs of light and sound, and regrets circled above them waiting to be fed. But let's can the fancy talk: they got drunk and they got in trouble – and so did the bar.

It should come as no surprise that the bar breached various provisions of the Liquor Licence Act by "engaging in or permitting practices that may tend to encourage patrons' immoderate consumption of liquor" and by "permitting liquor to be sold…to any person who is or appears to be intoxicated." And so an amusing night with friends quickly turned sour for all of the parties involved.

Sorry Daryle Singletary, but sometimes it IS possible to have too much fun.

Greg Cholkan is a lawyer, fisherman and Hemingway impersonator. He works in Huntsville and Haliburton with Barriston LLP and his practice focuses on real estate, wills and estates, and corporate matters. Follow him on Twitter: @gregcholkan

Celebrating Dorset Snowball
From left, Jamie Schmale (candidate for the Conservative Party of Canada in Haliburton Kawartha Lakes Brock), Laurie Scott (MPP Haliburton Kawartha Lakes Brock), Lisa Barry (Councillor, Algonquin Highlands), Mr., Mrs. & Miss Snowball (Dave, Tish and Julia Drobitch), Marlene Kyle (Councillor, Algonquin Highlands) and Carol Moffatt (Reeve, Algonquin Highlands). /Photo by Melissa Alfano

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Irene Torres and the Sugar Devils at the Dominion

Irene Torres is a young, talented vocalist and she's coming to the Dominion Hotel in Minden on March 14, as part of the Canadian Blues Legends series. She'll be fronting her great band the Sugar Devils. Irene is originally from Lima Peru, and when she was just six years old she and her family came to Canada as refugees.

While the family was undergoing the Canadian citizenship procedure Irene burst into song by singing the Canadian national anthem at the top of her lungs. Fast forward a few years and you'd find Irene singing with her first band, comprised of students from the Humber College jazz program. Things just progressed from there for the sassy lass. She sang a couple of times at Healey's in Toronto, and honed her chops at a little restaurant on St. Clair Avenue called Zemra.

Fast forward again to 2012 when Irene Torres and the Sugar Devils were the winners of the Toronto Blues Society Talent Search. In 2013 they won the Road to Memphis competition and as a result, had the honour of representing Canada at the International Blues Challenge in Memphis, Tenn.

New Orleans harmonica legend Johnny Sansone had this to say about the band. "They're a swinging outfit that has the best of retro with a contemporary hold. Irene has the pipes to impress... I was rocked all night."

The band backing Irene Torres for the Dominion gig includes regular Sugar Devils Josh Piche, RJ Satchithananthan on bass, and Ian Mackay on drums. Joining the band for this occasion is a special guest, guitar legend, and former Jeff Healey band member Pat Rush, so Dominion patrons should expect some vocal and instrumental fireworks.

"You've had some great talent for your blues series," Torres said in a recent phone interview "and we're all looking forward to playing and singing some blues, soul, R&B, a bit of jazz, and originals from our new album."

Irene Torres and the Sugar Devils play the Dominion Hotel in Minden on March 14. Tickets are available at www.DominionHotelPub.ca or by pick-up at the hotel, 113 Bobcaygeon Rd. in Minden.

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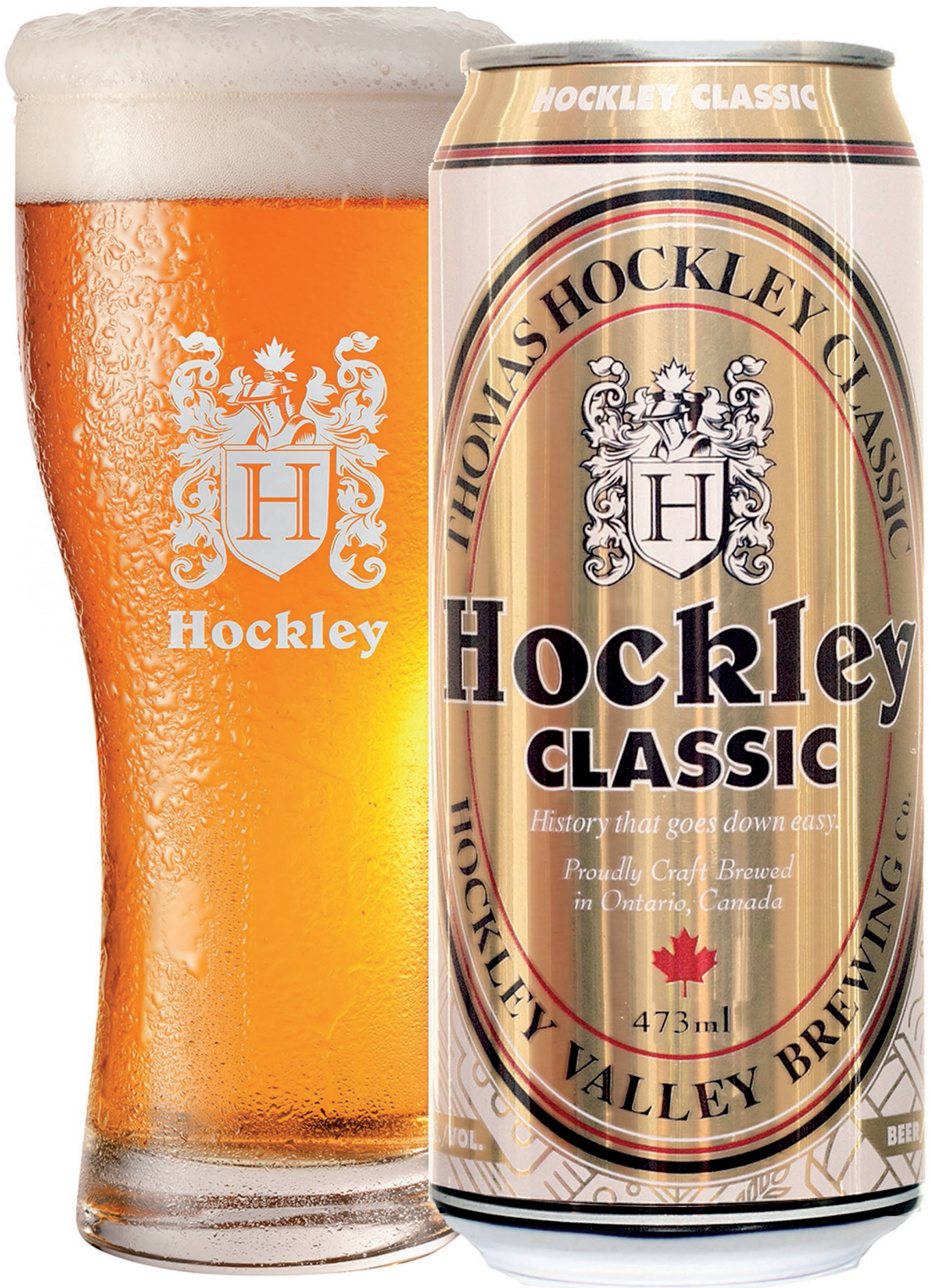

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Members of the Haliburton Highlands detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police are currently investigating numerous break and enters to seasonal properties around the area of Blue Hawk Lake Road in Dysart et al.

Between early afternoon and late evening on Sunday, Feb. 22, unknown suspect(s) attended several cottages along the North Shore line of Blue Hawk Road by way of snowmobile and forcibly gained entry. Once inside, the suspect(s) ransacked the cottages. It is believed that the suspect(s) was in search of alcohol as no other items were targeted.

Haliburton Highlands OPP is continuing to investigate and is seeking assistance from the public. If anyone has any information regarding this incident, they are being asked to contact the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment at 1-888-310-1122.

Anonymous information can also be reported to Crime Stoppers by calling 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or online at www.khcs.ca where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to $2,000.

The OPP is urging residents to take the following steps to help protect their cottages.

- Ask a permanent resident to check in on your property and provide them with your contact information.
- Remove all food and alcohol
- Secure your windows and doors – close window curtains or blinds and put up shutters.
- Consider using motion sensors to light up the exterior of the cottage
- Consider an alarm system and leave your contact information with your alarm company
- Get to know your neighbours, know who is a stranger and who belongs there and contact the police if you see someone who appears suspicious.

For more information on how to protect your property visit the OPP website and follow the OPP safeguard link at www.opp.ca/ecms/index.php?id=516

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What a winter and March doesn't seem to be much of an improvement!

Machenzie and I have experienced our busiest winter season ever trying to find the best destination and price for our client's important winter getaway.

I personally can't wait to be able to sit on my deck and hear birds other than crows! But first that snow has to melt.

However, just a short flight away the flowers are blooming and there is green grass. Visualize green grass.

Porter Airlines, who I flew to Washington with last spring, has just started direct flights to one of the loveliest cities in the USA: Charleston, South Carolina. This seaport has lovely architecture, beautiful flower gardens and the best crab cakes I have ever tasted. The charming city squares can be toured by horse and buggy and there are quaint B&Bs in the centre of this city. Also located close by are Fort Sumter(where the first shots of the Civil War began this war between the states), as well as the outer islands, a lovely drive for a day away from the city.

South of Charleston, near the Georgia border is thea popular golf destination: Hilton Head island.

When my children were little, there used to be direct flights offered with Adventure Tours (long gone now) that included flight to Savannah, accommodation at Hilton Head, and a car rental all for about $250 per person. That was a long time ago, but I have fond memories of going there in March and being able to walk with my children without first putting on the dreaded snowsuit and boots!

Another great city that usually has good (meaning not freezing cold!) weather in March is Memphis Tennessee. This city is a great place for southern barbecue!

And of course Memphis is where Graceland is located – home of The King, Elvis Presley. There are guided tours of Graceland, as well as the historical Sun Records Studio. Sam Phillips saw the talent in Elvis, along with Johnnie Cash, Carl Perkins, Roy Orbison and Jerry Lee Lewis. Never mind Michael Jackson, Justin Bieber or any one else. There will never be anyone like the King of Rock and Roll: Elvis!

For country music fans, Nashville is not far away, home of the Grand Old Opry and the Opryland Museum. There are tours inside the original Opryland where such famous singers as Patsy Cline and Loretta Lynn got their start in music.

Denure Tours, a tour company based in Lindsay, offers many interesting coach tours of the American south and their historical cities. We find for some of our clients this as a great way to travel. No driving required except by their experienced coach driver, and Denure takes care of all of the accommodation, and guided tours of all the historical sites along the way.

Anyway, as we await spring to finally arrive, keep in mind that if you have just had enough of winter, and can't take it anymore, come on by our office. Machenzie and I can find a vacation for you with no snow and no ice (except in your glass!).

MARCH BREAK PROGRAMMING

MONDAY, March 16—FRIDAY, March 20, 2015

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Appropriate outdoor wear is necessary.

Monday

ART 9am to 12pm

Vincent Van Gogh was a famous Dutch painter. He was known for bright, vibrant paintings that used paint strokes to evoke movement. Children will try this style of painting, using techniques with acrylic paint, and will also plant their own sunflower to have come Spring!

ACTIVITIES 12:30pm to 3:30pm

We will walk to the arena for a GPS scavenger hunt. Children will receive a quick tutorial on operating a GPS, then divide into teams and race to complete a scavenger hunt. Included in the scavenger hunt is a word puzzle with a Dr. Seuss theme.

Upon returning to the Cultural Centre children will explore what being Canadian means to them. Children will assist one another in tracing the outline of their entire body then fill in their silhouette by drawing, writing and pasting all things that they feel makes them Canadian/what they love about Canada

Outdoor wear required.

Tuesday

ART 9am to 12pm

Kandinsky was an influential Russian painter and art theorist. He is credited with painting one of the first purely abstract works. This class offers this pure creativity and exploration in visual art. Children will paint a giant mural painting while listening to music which can stimulate pure creative thought. This project allows for a number of art skills to develop.

ACTIVITIES 12:30pm to 3:30pm

National Film Board documentary *A Crack In The Pavement: Growing Dreams* - A look into what kids and schools have done to turn paved school yards into green schoolyards.

Tour of tour of Nature's Place to discuss *Dead Zones The Health of Our Lakes* exhibition. Children will create a collage as a group depicting healthy water in Nature's Place. End of day the class will walk to the arena for a game of broomball.

Outdoor wear required.

Wednesday

ART 9am to 12pm

George Seurat was a French Post-Impressionist painter and draftsman. He is noted for his innovative use of drawing media and for devising the painting techniques known as pointillism. For this work-shop children focus on watercolor - using the pointillism method and create an imaginative underwater scene

ACTIVITIES 12:30pm to 3:30pm

For the afternoon, children will enjoy a nature walk; identifying what spring has to offer in the wetlands along the board walk. This will be followed with a game of soccer baseball and a game of Camouflage.

Outdoor wear required.

Thursday

ART 9am to 12pm

Frida Kahlo de Rivera was a Mexican painter who is best known for her self-portraits. Students add "some-thing that helps people know them better" to their self-portraits, even if it's as simple as using their favorite color in the background. The technique for making borders helps unify the piece and teach design methods.

ACTIVITIES 12:30pm to 3:30pm

National Film Board documentary *The Girl Who Hated Books.* This animated short about literacy introduces us to Meena, a young girl who hates books even though her parents love to read. Books are everywhere in Meena's house, in cupboards, drawers and even piled up on the stairs. Still, she refuses to even open one up. But when her cat Max accidentally knocks down a huge stack, pandemonium ensues and nothing is ever the same again. Children will then play a game of pioneer bingo followed by broom ball at the arena. Outdoor wear required.

Friday

ART 9am to 12pm

Marc Chagall was a Belorussian-born French artist whose work generally was based on emotional association rather than traditional pictorial fundamentals. Children will enjoy creating quirky streetscapes and dream-like scenes. There's just something really fun about crooked buildings and random things flying through the air!

ACTIVITIES 12:30pm to 3:30pm

The afternoon will start with a nature hike, identifying plants in the wetlands along the boardwalk, ending at the ball diamonds behind the arena where a tournament of Frisbee Golf will be held. Upon returning to the Cultural Centre children will be creating woven baskets with paper plates and yarn. Outdoor wear required.

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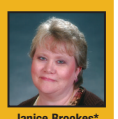

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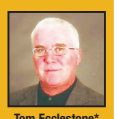


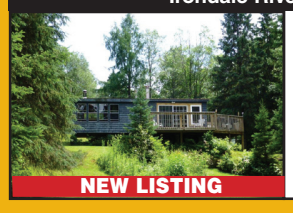
Tom Ecclestone*
286-2138 x 26

Haliburton Home $369,000

- Nestled amidst towering pines, close to town & lakes
- 3 bedroom, 4 bath, master w/ ensuite
- Radiant heating, cherry kitchen w/ island, WO
- Call Drew for further details.

Drew Bishop 457-2128 x 23

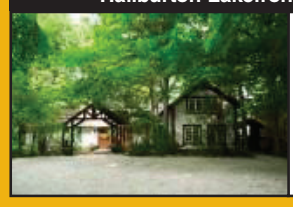
Irondale River $189,000



- 115 ft prime riverfront on a private setting
- Park-like .85 acre lot with a gentle slope
- 2 bdrm and 1 bath updated cottage with decks
- Great view and room to rebuild or expand

Dagmar Boettcher 489-9968

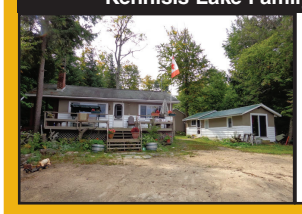
Haliburton Lakefront Classic! $699,000



- Charming 3200 sq ft home; 3BR; 2 bath
- 170' ftg on Grass Lake; 5 Lake chain
- Beautifully landscaped; Western exposure; Large decks
- Ideal for a large family or entertaining

Janice Brookes 457-2128 x 22

Kennisis Lake Family Cottage $459,000



- Sand To Deep Water, Sun Rise and Sets, Level
- Lg Dock, Garage, Guest Cabin, Fire Pit
- 3 Bdrm, Wood Fireplace, Pine Interior
- View!! Privacy, Near Ammenties, WiFi

Gloria Carnochan 754-1932

Just Minutes From Town $259,900

- 166 Ft road frontage, 1.01 Acres
- 3 Bedrooms w/4 pc bath
- Open concept design, lg rec rm & bar
- Oversized det'd/heated garage w/ sep. suite

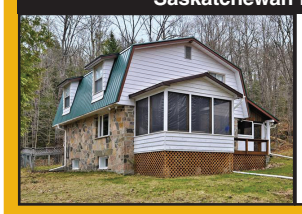
Mark Dennys 457-2128 x 30

Now this is a Cottage! $425,000

- Year round home on CLEAR LAKE
- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, level lot
- Beautiful sand beach, fully furnished
- Oversized insulated garage, just perfect

Tom Ecclestone 286-2138 x 26

Saskatchewan Lake $199,900



- Two story home or cottage
- Fully winterized, drilled well
- Great hiking, kayaking, swimming
- Rental potential, 3 bdrm, FAO

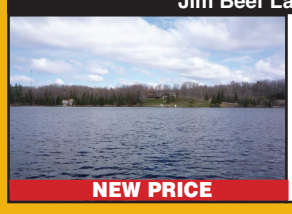
Lee Gauthier 489-9968

Recently renovated in downtown Minden! $139,900

- 1,020 sq ft, 2 bdrms, perfect starter or retirement home
- Updates incl new flooring & kitchen w/ stainless steel appliances
- Located on municipal rd, laundry on 1st floor & uses in town services; very low maintenance

Ed Gibbons 286-2138 x 28

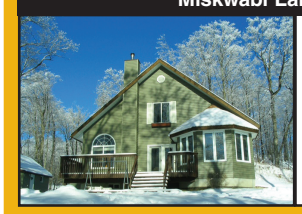
Jim Beef Lake $54,900



- Great building lot, West Exp
- Just outside of Haliburton Village
- Just under ½ an acre
- Beautiful natural setting

Andrew Hodgson 286-2138 x 29

Miskwabi Lake $599,900



- Amazing privacy, beautiful SW view
- 3 bedroom cottage/home
- Garage with workshop and ATV/sled storage
- 265' shoreline, close to snowmobile trails

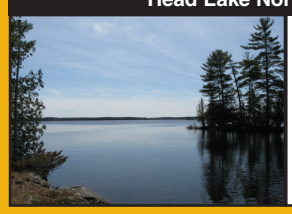
Susanne James & Andy Mosher
457-2128 x 33

Fort Irwin $219,000

- Residential and Commercial
- Nice location for home/business
- Septic 2003 & well drillers report
- Close to public beach-municipal road

Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23

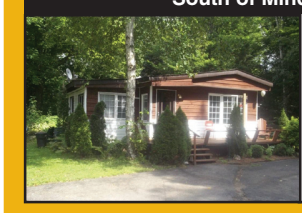
Head Lake Norland $199,000



- 48 acre vacant parcel
- 200 feet waterfront
- Southern exposure
- Hardwood bush

David Lee 286-2138 x 27

South of Minden $117,900



- Well maintained home in quiet community
- Newly shingled roof in 2012, bright kitchen
- 3 bdrms, laundry room, woodstove, office
- Loads of space, private yard

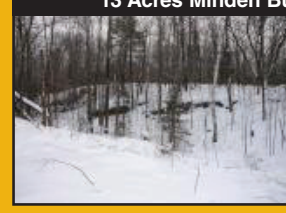
Erin Nicholls 457-2128 x 34

Little Redstone Lake Chalet $997,500

- Spectacular custom built Timber-Frame w/450 ft of frontage
- Open concept interior w/ walkout
- Gourmet Kitchen, Cathedral Ceilings, Master Bdrm w/Ensuite, Upper Loft
- Finished Lower Level w/large entertainment room, Bedrooms & 4 pc Bath

Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29

13 Acres Minden Building Lot $55,000



- 13 Well treed acres, both soft and hardwoods
- Building site and driveway in place
- Hydro and telephone at the road
- Backs on to privately owned, non-developed woodlands

Margie Prestwich 705-306-0491

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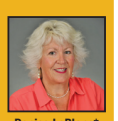


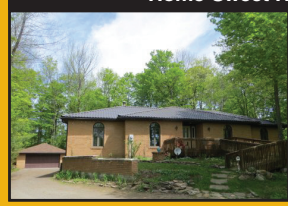
Denise LeBlanc*
286-2138 x 23

Spectacular Soyers Lake $1,800,000

- Sun all day, huge lake view, gorgeous sand beach, incredible sunsets
- Executive cottage with 4 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths, gourmet kitchen, 2 fireplaces
- Separate guest suite, finished lower level, rec room, wet bar, office
- Attached triple car garage as well as detached 30 x 40 workshop

Greg Stamp 457-2128 x 28

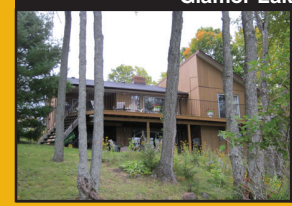
Home Sweet Home $315,900



- Gorgeous country setting yet in town home
- 4 BRs and 2 ½ baths, main floor laundry
- Main floor family room, lower level rec rm
- 2 car garage, beautiful lot and super yard

Kim Stamp 457-2128 x 24

Glamor Lake $569,000



- Stunning sunsets from this property
- WO to lakeside deck from master, kit & livingrm
- WO bsmt, landscaped lot, perennial gardens
- 3 car gar. with storage, + out buildings, custom dock

Elizabeth Thompson 457-2128 x 52

Bob Lake $299,000

- Original 1970's 3 Bdrm./1 Bath Cottage
- Large Screened Porch
- Fantastic Level Lot
- Stone Steps to Water and Rock Shelf

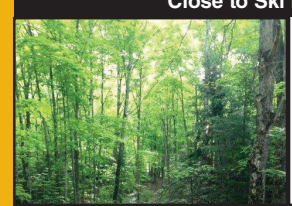
Melanie Vigrass 286-2138 x 32

Hobby Farm $364,900

- 37.5 acres of fun
- Beautiful 3+ bedroom home
- Large barn, garage, and guest house
- Direct access to 1000's of acres of crown land and trails

Tom Wilkinson 286-2138 x 25

Close to Ski Hill $34,500



- Building lot in Eagle Lake Area
- 1.37 acres with frontage on 2 municipal roads
- Easy access with services at lot line
- Public beach, shopping & restaurants nearby

Andrea Wilson 457-2128 x 25

South Beach Resort! $519,000

- Year round condo living close to Minden
- 4 BR, 3 baths; upgraded high-end finishings
- Exclusive use of your lot and waterfront
- Fees cover snow/trash removal & lot maint

Janice Brookes 457-2128 x 22

Kushog Lake $662,000

- 150 ft lakefront plus over 150 ft river-front on 2.9A
- Both a sand beach and rock shelf to deep water
- West facing perfectly flat lot with lots of decks
- 1975 s.f. living space in cottage and 2 bunkies

Dagmar Boettcher 489-9968

Bobcaygeon Road $189,900

- High and dry on Main Street w paved parking
- C-4 Village commercial zoning tons of potential
- Upstairs living accommodations, new furnace
- Nicely landscaped with easy care perennials

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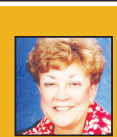

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Loop Troupe and Blackfly Theatre raise funds for fire truck

By Angelica Blenich

A marriage, a farm and a fire truck.

It may seem like these three things have nothing in common but they are all playing a starring role in this weekend's fundraiser at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce.

On March 6 and 7 the Loop Troupe and Blackfly Theatre are presenting *Harvest*, a two-act Canadian play written by Ken Cameron.

"It's a true story that he wrote about his parents leaving the family farm and retiring and renting the farmhouse," said Pippa Strachan, one of the founders of Blackfly Theatre. "What happens after that is a crisis that's funny, very difficult and ultimately probably brings a long marriage relationship full circle ... to realize how important they are to each other."

Based out of Bancroft, Blackfly Theatre was founded 10 years ago by partners Dan Boileau and Strachan, who both star in the production.

Harvest is a comedy that was written for two actors, according to Cameron's website.

"What's unusual about this play is that two people play all the characters," said Strachan. "It's fast, very theatrical, really entertaining."

The play has been performed previously in Bancroft, with the couple hoping to take it to Apsley next.

The role is one Strachan has immensely enjoyed, due to the quality of writing by Cameron and the subject matter.

"It's a very relevant show," she said. "It looks at farming today and the problems ... and a long marriage and how people do together in a crisis."

Aside from the performance, the evening will include a silent auction and refreshments, with proceeds going to support the recently formed Highlands East Fire Heritage Committee.

The group is working to restore an antique, 1952 Ford pumper truck, which belongs to the municipality.

Tickets for the show are $12 and can be purchased at Agnew's General Store in Wilberforce or at the door.

Show time is 7:30 p.m.

How to catch a runaway dogsled team

Living Large

Humour by Steve Galea

If you have ever been dog-sledding, you know that it is an exciting pastime. You get on a sled and hang on for dear life while a team of dogs does all the work. All you need to do is steer, lean, hold tight and enjoy the ride.

That is the ideal outcome if you actually know what you are doing.

For guys like me, however, there is one more part.

You also, on occasion, watch your team of dogs and sled run off into the sunset without you.

When that happens, here are a few constructive things to do.

1. Begin meowing. Not all dogs hate cats, but some certainly do. When you meow, you are banking on the chance that one of those dogs has a pathological hatred for cats that will make him turn the rest of the team towards the noise.
2. Stop meowing. This is critical. I generally advise this when the team or sled is almost within biting distance. Otherwise, you might have to patch up the bottom of your snow pants when you get home
3. Unwrap a sandwich loudly. I prefer to wrap my lunch in wax paper to make the most of this. If these dogs are like the ones I have at home, all it takes is the sound of a sandwich being unwrapped to have them suddenly turn around and form up at your feet. They can apparently hear this at three miles.
4. Get on the trail and stick out your thumb. This might work if another dogsled team is following.
5. Get on the trail and stick out your unfinished sandwich. If another team is coming down the path, this will stop those dogs cold. And while the musher of that team is extricating himself out of a snow bank, get on the sled and go. But, be nice and leave him the sandwich. After all, a little consideration goes a long way.
6. Throw a stick at your dog team as it runs off. Dogs, after all, love to retrieve.
7. Chase after them. I'm not sure if dogs have a sense of humour, but if they do, you'll catch up to them when they are rolling on the snow laughing.
8. Put on an inflatable fire hydrant suit. This will cause every dog in the vicinity to rush over. Just remember to take it off before they get close.
9. Set up an inflatable couch. Dogs can't resist a couch. If they know one is near, they'll go to it.
10. Take a rawhide bone out of your pocket and yell, "Who wants a rawhide bone?" At least if they don't respond, you have something to gnaw on while you walk home.

Making Moments Matter
Haliburton Highlands Palliative Centre

Palliative Care Suite Concept

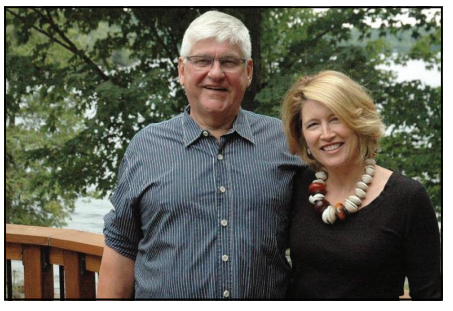
Family Room Concept

Making Moments Matter Campaign

Goal—$900,000

Raised to date— $674,335

Thank You!



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ATTENTION

Haliburton Area Contractors

The Municipalities of Algonquin Highlands, Dysart et al, Highlands East and Minden Hills are holding Information Sessions to help improve the process to obtain Building & Septic Permits and for general discussions to any changes in the Building Code.

We are interested in your input. Everyone is welcome

Where: A.J. La Rue Community Centre
2nd floor, 728 Mountain St, Haliburton

When: Septic Permits: Thursday March 5, 2015 - 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM
Building Permits: Thursday March 12, 2015 - 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Township of Algonquin Highlands · Municipality of Highlands East · The Township of Minden Hills · Haliburton County Home Builders Association

UPCOMING

Community Events

PARISH HOME INSPECTIONS

Recurring Events

Kitchen Party Music Jams

When: Every Saturday From 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm (continuous event)
Where: Dominion Hotel Pub, 113 Main Street, Minden, ON
Details: Musicians are welcome to come out to play and Fans are welcome to come out and enjoy the music at the free Jam Sessions every Saturday afternoon - 1st Saturday Folk/Celtic Music, 2nd & 5th Saturdays Mixed Acoustic Music, 3rd Saturday Country Music & 4th Saturday Bluegrass Music.
Contact: Gerry Mitchell at (705)799-5008 or by email at kitchenpartymusicjams@hotmail.com

Toastmasters

When: Wednesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Where: Minden United Church, Newcastle Street, Minden
We continue to hold our cost-effective, informative and enjoyable Toastmaster meetings at the Minden United Church, Newcastle Street, Minden. We encourage both men and women to come and to see a meeting to find out what we are all about. Here is a place to learn speaking and listening skills in a comfortable setting at a reasonable cost. For more information, call Sybil at 286-2624, Roy Haig at 286-4644 and Lynda Litwin at 286-2911.

The Highlands Festival Singers

Rehearsals are starting for their Annual Spring Concert, A Bouquet of Flowers on Tuesday, January 6th at 7:15 pm in the sanctuary at Haliburton United Church.
All singers are welcome! Find Highlands Festival Singers on facebook, or our webpage highlandsfestivalsingers.ca
or email us at highlandsfestivalsingers@gmail.com

Haliburton Highlands Hand Weavers & Spinners Guild Open Studios

When: Daytime - every Tues. 1-4
Evening - the 3rd. Wed. of every month
Where: Zion United Church, Carnarvon
No experience needed
Contact: Pat @ 705-286-6042 or andreacoysh@gmail.com

Dorset Quilters & Needle Workers Group

When: Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.
$1 per person
Dorset Evening Yoga Classes
When: Mondays, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
$75 for 6 classes or $15 per class. For more information contact Caroline Leeder at huttcaroline@gmail.com or 705-767-1177

Haliburton Region Shout Sister!

Choir, directed by Laurel McCauley, is welcoming new members. We do not audition and learn our music by ear.
All levels of singers are welcome. We sing a fun variety of music from pop and folk to Motown.
Practices are held Thursday nights from 7-9 pm at Haliburton United Church, Fellowship Room, 10 George St., Haliburton.

Dated Events

Volunteer Income Tax Clinics – Wilberforce

When: 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. every Wednesday until Wednesday, April 22
Where: Wilberforce Legion

Volunteer Income Tax Clinics - Haliburton

When: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and every Thursday until Thursday, April 23
Where: Haliburton Legion

World Prayer Day

When: Friday, March 6, 2 p.m.
Where: Minden United Church, 21 Newcastle Street, Minden
Prepared by women of the Bahamas. Everyone welcome.

Winter Folk Camp 2015

When: March 6-9
Where: YMCA Camp Wanakita
Three days of music instruction and outdoor adventure; three nights of concerts, jam sessions, and song circles all held together with great food and fellowship. To register see: HYPERLINK "http://www.winterfolkcamp.com/"www.winterfolkcamp.com or call 705-457-9110.

Introduction to Ice Climbing

When: March 7, 2 to 4 p.m.
Where: Medeba Adventure Learning Centre, West Guilford
Embrace the winter wonders of the Highlands and try your hand (and foot) at ice climbing. You will scale the slippery slope on a 50-foot wall at Camp Medeba. This is a fun and safe two-hour introduction to ice climbing. Climbing equipment, a warm hut and hot beverages will be provided.
Contact: Barrie Martin of Yours Outdoors 705-754-3436 or info@youroutdoors.ca

Introductory Beekeeping with Ron LoftHouse

When: Saturday, March 7, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., adult
Where: The Art Hive, 10239 Hwy 118
What a wonderful way to explore nature – keeping bees! These social insects pollinate plants and gather nectar. In this one-day workshop, the instructor will cover subjects such as apiary management, bee nutrition, candle making, and world conditions. An observation hive secured by Plexiglas will be brought in, as well as samples of apiary tools and products. Cost: $90. Contact: 705-754-0021, www.TheArtHive.com

Winter Hike

When: Saturday, March 7
Where: TBA
A winter hike through one of our local trails – hike level – easy-intermediate
Contact: 705-286-3154, www.mindenhills.ca/museum

Final Race of Sir Sam's Ski Challenge

When: Saturday, March 7
Where: Sir Sam's Ski and Bike
Final race of the series. Someone will win $1,000!
Contact: chris@sirsams.com, 705-754-2298

Haliburton Dog Sledding Derby

When: March 7 and 8
Where: Pinestone Resort
Contact: Tanya McCready Winterdance Dogsled Tours at 705-457-5281 or email info@winterdance.com or Pinestone Resort at 888-778-5050 for more information

Make Peace with Winter

When: March 10, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Where: Various locations
Try a little winter. Embrace the winter wonders of the Haliburton Highlands with a full day sampler of unique, fun, and active adventures. Your choice of dogsledding, snowshoeing, skiing, ice fishing, sleigh ride and more.
Contact: Barrie Martin of Yours Outdoors, 705-754-3436 or info@youroutdoors.ca

Christine Campbell – House Concert

When: March 12, 7:30 p.m.
Where: Home of Barrie and Pat Martin
A killer guitarist, a classically trained pianist, a raw, honest songwriter, and an incomparable singer. To reserve a seat contact 705-754-3436, barrie.martin@sympatico.ca.

Those Other Movies

When: Thursday, March 12, 4:15 and 7:15 p.m.
Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion
Movie Showings
Contact: northernlightstheatre@gmail.com

Wilberforce Curling Bonspiel – Child + One (Adult)

When: March 14
Where: Wilberforce Curling Club – Loop Road and Essonville Line
Two six-end games, $80/team (two children and two adults) with lunch included.
Contact Wilberforce Curling Club 705-448-2512, wilberforcecurling@gmail.com

March Break

When: March 14 to 22
Where: Sir Sam's Ski and Bike
A great day of skiing, racing, indoor games. Cost $125 per person includes lift ticket, rentals, breakfast, lunch and dinner. Prizes awarded at 7 p.m. Please book in advance.
Contact: chris@sirsams.com, 705-754-2298

Lattis Felting Workshop with Sue MacDonald

When: Sat. March 14, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Adult/teen
Where: The Art Hive, 10239 Hwy 118
Using merino and silk Imported from Australia you will learn to faux weave your very own work of art to wear or display. Cost: $55 full day plus material cost to teacher on the day. (You choose how much you want to spend approximately $12 to $30.)
Contact: 705-754-0021, www.TheArtHive.com

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Where: Medeba Adventure Learning Centre, West Guilford
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St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Haliburton United Church, Fellowship Room
Tuesday, March 17 at 5:30 p.m.
Order tickets by calling Robin at 705-457-1771
$10 per person, $5 for children (under 12)
Corn Beef & Cabbage, Soda Bread, Dessert, Tea/Coffee
Take out available at Haliburton United Church. A Haliburton United Church Fundraiser!

Pirates of Penzance

Highlands Little Theatre is presenting "Pirates of Penzance," evening performances at 7:30 p.m. on April 16, 17 and 18 and a Matinee at 2 p.m. on April 19 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavillion. Tickets are available by calling Jim Frost at 705-457-4031 or by purchasing tickets from Cranberrry Cottage in Haliburton and Minden Pharmasave in Minden. This Gilbert and Sullivan musical was last seen in Haliburton in 1975 as performed by the Glee Club of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. This Spring, current Haliburton County residents, young and old, are preparing to present Pirates once again! Come and join in the fun and frivolity

Legion Events

Branch 624, Wilberforce

Jan Simon PRO

Friday	Pool 2:30PM Ham w/baked&scalloped Dinner 5:00-7:00pm Jam Session 7:30PM
Saturday	Meat Draw 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Early Bird 3pm sharp
Monday	Bid Euchre
Wednesday	Fun Darts

Branch 129, Haliburton

Dave Allen, PRO 705-457-2571

Mondays:	Bridge every Monday at 1pm
Tuesdays:	Open dart night at 7pm
Wednesdays:	Bid Euchre 1 pm start Bingo Doors open at 6 pm, Bingo starts at 7 pm - $500 Jackpot $1000 Jackpot - last Wednesday of the month
Thursdays:	General Meeting Second Thursday of the month starting at 7:30 pm. All members urged to attend Ladies Auxiliary Last Thursday of the month at 1 pm
Fridays:	Cribbage 1 pm start Meat Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 pm, Last draw at 6:30 pm, Tickets are $2 per draw…Chester Howse, MC
Saturdays:	50/50 Draw 4 pm draw, Tickets are $1 each from noon onwards
Sundays:	Breakfast Second and fourth Sunday of the month – 9:30 am – 1 pm $6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed.

Upcoming Events: Live entertainment featuring Gord Kidd & friends in the Club Room Saturday, March 14th 4-7 p.m. Enjoy cabbage rolls prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary for only $5. No cover.
Join us for traditional St. Patrick's Day lunch prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary in the Legion Main Hall on Tuesday March 17th 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Irish stew, coleslaw, dessert & tea/coffee. Adults $8 or $4 for 12 and under.
Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, call the Legion today for more information 705 457 2571
Please come out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129… everyone is welcome!

Branch 636, Minden 705-286-4541

Open Mon-Thurs 10am-6pm, Fridays til 9pm, Sundays 1-5.
Air-conditioned clubroom open to the public, Patio open, Wifi, debit machine, table trivia, dart boards
Big Euchre, 1st Sunday of the month, includes lunch

Lunches	**noon to 2pm**
Mon to Thursday:	full menu and daily specials.

Tuesdays: Liver lovers are flocking to Minden Legion every Tuesday at lunch. Liver n Onions is the special on Tuesdays from noon to 2pm, cooked up by new members Jim & Joanne McKinnon. And don't worry if liver is not your favourite, the Minden Legion also offers a full menu choice Monday through Thursday.
On Fridays we serve beer-battered Fish and Chips for lunch or supper.

Friday lunch menu:	beer-battered fish with fries or onion rings. Friday supper 5-7pm also chicken wings
Wednesdays:	Meat Draw at noon, $8 buys 8 chances for butcher-quality meat.

Ladies Darts on **Thursdays**

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FORMER WIGAMOG INN

Once a thriving business on 41 acres. Overlooks Lake Kashagawigamog. Lots of buildings and amenities - so much potential.

$800,000

BEAUTIFUL MOOSE LAKE

Spacious 3BR 4 season cott or home. Full fin bsmt, lg screen porch, sundeck w/glass panels, wood FP. Level lot, great shoreline, dbl garage & more! Watch sunsets from the dock.

$499,000

OTTER LAKE TRANQUILITY

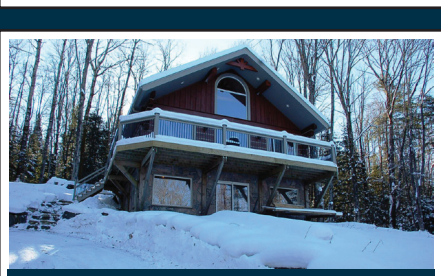
4 Season Royal Home/Cottage. 8.84 acres, 379 Ft. FRTG on a no motor lake. 3+2 BR. Open Concept, Fireplace,Large Windows, Spacious Deck.

$439,900

CUSTOM BUILT HOME

Bright beautiful 3BR, cath ceilings, spacious oak kitchen, Oversized grg with finished loft.
1/9th ownership in Miskwabi Access Lot.

$349,000



STUNNING LOG HOME

Private, nicely treed lot with new home/cottage . Big windows allow natural light thru'out. Full fin w/o bsmt. 3BR. Near skiing Eagle Lake.

$308,900

IRONDALE RIVER

Large home/cottage on 9 + ac. Sunny private lot.
3+2 Br. Spacious. Full Basement. Many Features.

$270,000

HALIBURTON-SUNNYSIDE ST.

Walk to town. Treed private lot. Open concept, vaulted ceilings. Large wraparound deck. Huge recroom, Insul det garage. Nice design. Fresh Paint & Shingles!

$265,000

HALIBURTON, RIDGEVIEW ROAD

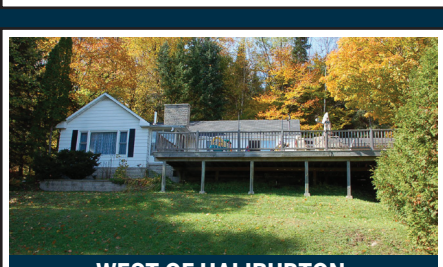
Sprawling 3BR ranch bungalow.
Private landscaped lot. Att garage, 1BR apt,
Excellent value for 2600sf.

$258,000

WEST GUILFORD HOME

Great potential with Commercial Zoning, 2.33 ac lot & 496' frtg.
Att garage.
Green Lake across road.

$235,000



WEST OF HALIBURTON

Sprawling 5BR bungalow with many upgrades. Dbl det garage. Huge deck. Very spacious family home. Lake access nearby.

$165,000

GOODERHAM HOME & BARN

3BR with historic character. Wraparound porch. Walk to village.
30x20 barn in
Great condition. Super value!

$139,900

VACANT LOTS

FADER ROAD OR PROVIDENCE DRIVE

2 lots w/deeded access to Maple Lake
$23,000 EACH

KELSON ROAD

1.5 Acre Lot. Walk to Lake .
$32,500

GLEBE ROAD

Prestigious Area!
$79,800

DRAG RIVER LOT

420 ft / 4 Acres
$85,000

Highway 121

22 Ac south of Minden
$55,900

IF IT WASN'T FOR MORTGAGES, few of us would be able to own our own homes.

Real Estate Update

Mortgages Can Help.

***Question:** How important has the mortgage instrument been to the real estate industry?*

Answer: The difference between night and day. Mortgages are the most common way to finance a home. Let's face it, how many of us can afford to pay cash for our home? Thanks to mortgage financing, many people who would not otherwise be able to purchase their own home are now homeowners.

You don't actually "pay the mortgage" but rather the promissory note which is secured by the mortgage. Your property is the collateral used to guarantee repayment.